GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
LOK SABHA

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ENCROACHMENT OF LAND
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Mumbai Port Trust land has been encroached and unauthorized construction taken place during 1998-99;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any enquiry has been made to find out the officials responsible for the same; and

(d) if so, the details of the findings and the action taken against those officials found responsible?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a): There have been encroachments and unauthorized constructions on Mumbai Port Trust prior to 1998-99 and even thereafter.

(b): Presently, there are encroachments at 25 spots, which include 4 large pockets of censussed slums. Other encroachments are on vacant plots, roads, railway sidings and at bunders, which are unrestricted and open to public.

(c)&(d): Encroachments are made by the slumlords and others often during holidays, nighttime and elections. Connivance of port trust officials is not established.